

SEC. 8. That during the canaling and work for the draining of Mud State to furnish one hundred convicts.
creek lands, in the county of Henderson, said State of North Carolina shall furnish to said water-course commissioners or their assigns not less than one hundred able-bodied convicts as they may be called for, who shall be under the supervision of an officer appointed by the board of directors of the State penitentiary; and said water-course Compensation.
commissioners shall pay to the said State for and in consideration of the services of said convicts, quarterly in advance, not less than one hundred and twenty-five dollars per capita per annum for the time worked, which shall include board, clothing, maintenance, supervision, transportation and all other expenses however incurred: *Pro-* Proviso.
vided, said penitentiary authorities shall not be required to furnish said convicts nor keep them in camps in bodies of less than one hundred.

SEC. 9. That said commissioners shall begin said work by the first When work to begin.
of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, and continue the same as rapidly as practicable until the same is completed.

SEC. 10. That if any of the water-course commissioners or overseers Water-course commissioners failing to enter upon, &c., duties of office, guilty of misdemeanor.
appointed under the provisions of this act shall fail or refuse to enter upon the duties of their offices or to discharge their duties as prescribed under or by virtue of this act, the party or parties so failing or refusing shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and punished by a fine of not more than two hundred dollars (\$200) or by imprisonment not more than two years.

SEC. 11. That if any person or persons shall in any way obstruct Obstruction of canal, &c., a misdemeanor.
the said canal or canals so as to prevent the free passage of the water in said streams, the party or parties so offending shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

SEC. 12. That the said water-course commissioners shall estimate Damages, how paid, &c.
the damages which may be sustained by private individuals by the cutting of said canal, to be paid in like manner as provided for the payment of expenses in section four of this act.

SEC. 13. That the water-course commissioners and overseers men- Services of water-course commissioners and overseers, how estimated.
tioned in this act shall receive no compensation for their services, but the services of the said commissioners shall be equal to the burden of ten acres of land and the services of said overseers shall be equal to the burden of twenty acres of land.

SEC. 14. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified the 5th day of March, A. D. 1889.